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SECRETED AND TRANSMEMBRANE POLYPEPTIDES AND NUCLEIC ACIDS ENCODING THE SAME

## AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Final Office Action mailed on May 6, 2003 in connection with the above-identified patent application. Enclosed herewith is a Notice of Appeal. Also enclosed with this response is a Declaration of Avi Ashkenazi. Also enclosed is a Request for a Two Month Extension of time, extending the time of response to October 6, 2003.

Please enter the following amendments and consider the following arguments.

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